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## SIX THOUSAND CHEERING PEOPLE

Greet President Roosevelt at Chicago Auditorium and Hear Him Speak on Monroe Doctrine

## DEFINES THE AMERICAN POSITION

Supports Unwritten Law Opposing Territorial Acquisition By Foreign Powers on this Continent—Points to Need of a Strong Navy

April 2—Six thousand people, a half, the seating capacity of the hall, went through the territory of one of our smaller sister republics. We have been scrupulously careful to abstain from perpetrating any wrong upon any of these republics in this matter. We do not wish to interfere with their rights in the least, but while carefully safeguarding them, to build the canal ourselves under provisions which will enable us, if necessary, to police and protect it, and to guarantee its neutrality, we being the sole guarantor. Our intention was steadfast; we desired action taken so that the canal could always be used by us in time of peace and war, and, if the time of war could never be used by our detriment by any nation which was hostile to us. Such action, by the circumstances surrounding it, was necessarily for the benefit and not the detriment of the adjacent American republics.

In the street outside for more than four hours before the time set for the beginning of the president's address, a company of policemen was kept thousands of people packed the adjoining streets. The jam at the door of the hall for thirty minutes preceding the time at which the president was to open his address, was of eager to test to the utmost the patience of the police without, and the within. The eager crowd, in its desire to gain admission, forced mat the clock and the time set for expiration of the reservation of seats by popular usage ten minutes before it was over by official calculation. The man who arrived at six o'clock and hoped to secure his seat was generally disappointed.

When the president, escorted by members of the local committee, stepped on the platform he was met with great enthusiasm; the vast crowd cheering to its feet, and supplementing hearty cheers with waving programs and the fluttering of handkerchiefs.

### Hearty Reception.

The president acknowledged the reception with repeated bows and at last took his seat between Frank MacVeagh, chairman of the committee, and Mayor Harrison, who was to deliver the formal address of welcome. Following a few words from Mr. MacVeagh the mayor spoke briefly, extending to the president a hearty welcome, expressing the pleasure felt by the people of Chicago at his visit, and offering to him their best wishes for a happy and pleasant trip during his two months' vacation. The president expressed his pleasure at the cordial reception and proceeded in his peculiar energetic manner to deliver his speech. He had some difficulty in going forward for the reason the chairs that he occupied his first appearance in the platform, both with renewed vigor and was several minutes before he was able to proceed.

At the conclusion of the address he was renewed and continued applause, and while the greater part of the audience was leaving the hall the president was holding an impromptu session on the platform.

Secret service men closed about him during the handshaking and escorted him back to his apartments in the hotel immediately preceding his address in the auditorium the president was entertained at dinner in the banquet hall of the auditorium by members of the entertainment committee. About twenty guests were present. The dinner was informal and no speeches were made.

### MONROE DOCTRINE AND CANAL.

The Position of the Chief Executive is Clearly Stated.

Mr. Bryan, Ladies and Gentlemen: I have come to speak to you, not about the Monroe Doctrine, but in an entire position in the Western Hemisphere—a position so peculiarly dominant that out of it has grown the acceptance of the Monroe Doctrine as a cardinal feature of our foreign policy, and, in particular I want to point out what has been done to make good our position in the time when we have extended our boundaries westward to the Pacific and southward to South America. We have asserted their independence and our right to do so, and our position has insisted that because of its primacy in strength among the nations of the western hemisphere it has certain duties and responsibilities which oblige it to take a leading part thereon. We hold that the interests in this hemisphere are greater than those of any European power possibly can be, and that our duty to ourselves and to the weaker republics who are our neighbors requires us to see that none of the great military powers from across the sea can encroach upon the territory of the American republics or acquire it.

Therefore, not only for the purpose of acquisition in such territorial question, but also causes us to object to the acquisition of a territory which would in its effect be equal to territorial aggrandizement. This is why the United States has always believed that the construction of the Great Isthmian canal, the building of which is to stand as the greatest material feat of the twentieth century—greater than any similar feat

allows each of them to form such as it desires. " " " We do not guarantee any state against punishment if it misconducts itself, provided that punishment does not take the form of the acquisition of territory by any non-American power."

"His excellency the German ambassador, on his recent return from Berlin, conveyed personally to the president the message of the German emperor that his majesty's government had no propose or intention to make even the smallest acquisition of territory on the South American continent or the islands adjacent. This voluntary and friendly declaration was afterwards repeated to the secretary of state, and was received by the president and the people of the United States in the frank and cordial spirit in which it was offered. In the memorandum of the 1st of December, his excellency the German ambassador repeats these assurances as follows: "We declare especially that under no circumstances do we consider in our proceedings the acquisition or the permanent occupation of Venezuelan territory."

"In the said memorandum of the 1st of December, the German government informs that of the United States that it has certain just claims for money and damages wrongfully withheld from German subjects by the government of Venezuela, and that it proposes to take certain coercive measures described in the memorandum to enforce the payment of these just claims."

"The president of the United States, appreciating the courtesy of the German government in making him acquainted with the state of affairs referred to, and not regarding himself as called upon to enter into the consideration of the claims in question, believes that no measures will be taken in this matter by the agents of the German government which are not in accordance with the well-known purpose of reorganization was before the Federation when the shooting occurred.

## LABOR LEADER IS MURDERED

W. N. CASTLEMAN AN ORGANIZER AT CHICAGO SHOT DOWN WHILE AT A MEETING

### HIS ASSASSIN IS UNKNOWN

Crime Committed in Most Mysterious Manner—Had Been Bad Blood in Rival Organizations.

Chicago, April 2—W. N. Castleman, organizer of the International Sheet Metal Workers' union, was shot and probably mortally wounded tonight while at a meeting of the grievance committee of the Chicago Federation of Labor. He was shot three times, but it has not been learned who did the shooting.

Castleman three months ago organized the local council of Metal Workers and members of a similar union organized twenty years ago. The new one was intended to disrupt the old organization. The matter of reorganization was before the Federation when the shooting occurred.

### IN THE MORO COUNTY.

The Natives Now Have More Respect For U.S. Authority.

Washington, April 2—Major General Corbin made public today the report from General Davis commanding in the Philippines of the situation in the Moro country. He encloses a letter from Captain Pershing, 15th Cavalry, in which the latter goes over the ground covered in a recent personal letter to a friend in the war department. General Davis speaks very highly of Captain Pershing. Showing the Moros that the United States had the right to protect her people and overcome the Moro resistance, he says he had a good argument. He says Capt. Pershing has established friendly relations with a large number of villages. He ascribes considerable importance to the fact that "old panadas," a person of much influence, recently has recognized the United States authority.

### STORM IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN.

School House Struck by Lightning—No One Was Hurt.

Detroit, Mich., April 2—A severe electrical storm, accompanied by hail in many places swept over the lower peninsula of Michigan today. At Charlevoix lightning struck the Central school house just after the school convened this afternoon and a panic ensued. Fortunately no one was seriously hurt. One girl was stunned by the lightning. The belfry was wrecked and all the glass shattered.

### ROOT AND LODGE SPEAK.

On Tariff and Other Issues at Banquet of Home Market Club.

Boston, Mass., April 2—Edith Root, secretary of war, and Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, were guests of honor and the principal speakers tonight at the annual dinner of the Home Market Club.

Secretary Root's address was a discussion of the tariff in which he gave

the reasons why the protective tariff should be maintained.

Mr. Lodge spoke on the question of Canadian reciprocity and the charge against the American soldiers in the Philippines.

### VENEZUELAN INDIGNANT.

They Submit, But Make Faces at the All.

Carcas, March 31—Congress in a secret meeting authorized President Castro to fulfill the obligations embodied in the protocols of the allies, but only as extraordinary act, without giving them legal sanction, so as not to establish a precedent. After adopting the resolutions conferring authority upon Castro, congress adjourned on a protest of indignation against the protocols.

### NEARING PORT.

An Old Time Navigator Said to Be Fatally Ill.

Pearl, Ill., April 2—Captain Henry Dauweller, one of the oldest steamboat men of Illinois, is dying at his home here. He was in the government marine service during the war. He is said to have known every foot of both the Illinois and the Mississippi rivers. He was born in France in 1825 and came to the United States in 1837.

Will Command the Brooklyn.

Washington, April 2—It is the present intention of the navy department that when Captain Richardson Clover is relieved as naval attaché of the American embassy in London this spring, he will be placed in command of the Brooklyn, and that vessel will become the flagship of the European squadron.

### Spens Promoted.

Chicago, April 2—It is announced from the Chicago Burlington & Quincy headquarters that Conrad E. Spens, has been appointed assistant general freight agent with headquarters at Chicago.

### Light Weight Wrestlers.

New York, April 2—In a wrestling match tonight for the lightweight championship of the world, George Bothner of this city, the American champion, easily defeated Tom Riley the champion of England.

### Refuse Pilots Increase.

St. Louis, April 2—The owners of river steamers today decided not to advance the wages of pilots. Several pilots are reported to have deserted the boats at points along the river upon learning the decision of the owners.

### Wine on Foul.

Louisville, Ky., April 2—Marvin Hart of this city was awarded the decision over Jack Bonner of Summit Hill, Pa., on a foul in the fourth of a twenty-round contest tonight.

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## BRYAN AT DES MOINES

Sarcastic Reference to the Recent Harmony Banquet—Issues Are Still the Same.

### THERE IS NO REASON TO RETIRE

Des Moines, Ia., April 2—Three hundred democrats attended the Jeffersonian banquet tonight. The attendance was representative of the democratic party throughout the state. The principal speakers were Wm. J. Bryan and former Vice-President Stevenson. A letter was read from William Randolph Hearst of New York, in which he urged continued devotion by the democrats to the political principles of Jefferson. Bryan responded to the toast "Democracy."

"While this banquet has not been advertised as a 'harmony banquet,' it is much more in the interest of harmony than the high priced banquets which are held for the purpose of securing audience for men who have not recently appeared on the stump in behalf of the democratic party," said Bryan.

"The mere mention of harmony suggests differences that need reconciliation, and vociferous talk about harmony among those who disturbed it, left the party and lent their influence to the enemy, naturally recalls issues that create the disturbance and naturally suggests the inquiry whether the prodigals have repented or demand reprentation of the party."

"Difference which existed on the money question still exists, for while republicans are boasting that the money question is settled, money is tight in great financial centers, and financiers of this country are resorting to extraordinary methods to get enough money into circulation to carry on the business.

"On the trust question the same cleavage appears. The men who threatened panic if silver was restored now threaten panic if trusts are disturbed, and trust magnates are casting about for a democratic candidate so much like a republican that the trusts can rest easy no matter which candidate is elected.

Bryan recounted a number of issues upon which the party has been defeated and which the party has no desire to drop. He decried the proposition to abandon righteous positions for fear to maintain it would be unpopular. The speaker applauded Gov. Cummins' probable efforts to "en-graff the Iowa idea on the National republican platform." He declared Cummins though calling himself a republican is much nearer the democratic party than the men who left us in 1896, and who in 1897 boasted of the support they had given the republican party, and who now make their return to the party contingent upon the party's abandonment of people's interest.

In closing his address Stevenson referred in such a way to Hearst that many who hard it took it as endorsement of his boom for the presidential nomination.

### THE SITUATION IS CRITICAL.

But That's the Normal Condition at Santo Domingo and Alarm is Unnecessary.

### U. S. CRUISER ATLANTA ARRIVES.

Santo Domingo, Tuesday, March 31.—The United States cruiser Atlanta arrived here yesterday and established a signal station on shore. She will land marines if necessary. Several encounters are reported to have taken place yesterday between the government troops and the rebels at San Antonio De Guerra, twenty miles from this city. It is said 145 men were killed and all the glass shattered.

The rebels, while crossing the river this morning, were attacked by the government troops and an hour's fighting ensued.

All communication from the interior is interrupted and business is practically suspended. A quantity of arms and ammunition were shipped today on a gunboat, which is in the hands of the rebels, for an unknown destination. The situation is critical.

### RIFLE SHOOTING.

Will Be Conducted Under Direction of the War Department.

Washington, April 2—The secretary of war has issued a circular announcing the regulations published for the tests for the national trophy and medal and other prizes for marksmanship in accordance with the provisions of the last army appropriation act. These tests are to be conducted under the direction of a board of twenty-one members, eight from the National Rifle Association, eight from the country at large, five from the war department, army, navy and marine corps. Among the members from the country at large are Col. O. C. Young, First Illinois Cavalry; and Major Carl A. Wagner, instructor of rifle practice, Michigan.

The board will meet at the war department April 15 to frame and report for approval such further regulations as may be necessary.

### DIFFERENCES SETTLED.

Men Are Granted Concessions on the N. Y., N. H. & H. Road.

New Haven, Conn., April 2—The conductors and officials of the New STORM IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN road have reached a final settlement. This announcement was made tonight by President Hall of the railroad and C. H. Wilkins, a brotherhood officer who have been here to counsel the company. Wilkins left for his home in Dubuque, Iowa, tonight. He said the men were granted the concessions they sought.

### WATER INDICATIONS.

Washington, April 2—Illinois—Falls in north and showers in the central and south portion; Friday, colder; high northwest winds; Saturday fair. Local Weather.

The following is a record of the temperature for 24 hours ended yesterday evening at 7 o'clock as reported by Prof. J. H. Coonrad, government observer:

7 a.m. ..... 50 Highest

Noon ..... 75 Lowest

7 p.m. ..... 52 Mean

## An Old Favorite

LEEDLE YAWCOB STRAUSS

By Charles Follett Adams

CHARLES FOLLETT ADAMS, author, was born April 21, 1842, at Dorchester, Mass., and now resides in Roxbury, Boston. Mr. Adams received a common school education and entered business life at fifteen. He served in the civil war, his military career being ended by a wound received at Gettysburg. Mr. Adams has been writing ever since, and his work is noted to business world as "secret of Mr. Adams' popularity," says one critic. "Is not the rare felicity with which he handles the dialect, but in the tender putches which illumines the closing stanzas?" "Little Yawcob Strauss" was highly praised by Oliver Wendell Holmes.

I HAVE von funny little boy  
Vot gomes schust to my knee;  
Der queest achap, der createst  
rouge.  
As efer you dit see;

He runs und schumps, und smashes  
dings.  
In all barts off der house—  
But what of dot? vhat is mine son,  
Mine leede Yawcob Strauss.

He gets der muscles und der mumba,  
Und acooling dot's outfit.  
Hobblis min glass of lager beer,  
Put schmutz Indo mine kraut;  
He filet mine pine mit Limburg cheese—

Dot vas der roughest chouse;

I'd daik dot vrom no bder boy  
But leede Yawcob Strauss.

He dakes der milk-ban for a dhrum,  
Und cuts mine cane in two—  
To make der schticks to heat it mit—  
Mine cracious, dot vas drue!

PAIR OF KINGS, BIG HAND

The People of Portugal are Making Fuse Enough for a Royal Flush.

### GREAT GREETING FOR EDWARD.

Lisbon, April 2—The British royal yacht, Victoria and Albert, with King Edward on board, arrived in Tagus today from Portsmouth and was saluted by the warships and forts. The yacht steamed up the estuary, followed by the escorting British and Portuguese cruisers and anchored opposite the Black Horse Square, where an immense crowd had assembled, the windows and roofs of the houses and every other vantage point being packed with people.

Another royal salute was fired as King Carlos embarked at the arsenal on board of the royal galley and proceeded to the Victoria and Albert. The interview between their majesties on board of the Victoria and Albert lasted an hour and a half, after which the procession was formed and the king went ashore. On the landing the king was greeted with tremendous enthusiasm.

### U. S. SENATOR CLARK Engages in Fist Fight at Little Rock.

Little Rock, Ark., April 2—United States Senator James Clark and Congressman Brundage met on the street today and fought each other until friends intervened. Blood flowed, but no serious injury was done to either. Brundage says Clark insulted him and the altercation ensued.

### Twenty Round Draw.</h

## WILL ORGANIZE

TREASURER RECEIVING TAXES  
Penalty Is Added After the First of May.

New Commercial Organization To Boost Decatur Will Be Incorporated With a Capital of \$50,000.

## PROPOSAL FOR GLASS FACTORY

Curtis Truck Company Said to Be Best Thing Ever Offered Decatur.

The business men who have taken in hand the work of advancing the business interests of Decatur, have determined that having once made the start there shall be no pause in the good work. They determine that there is to be a boom, and they insist that there is to be a material increase in the business interests, that a new life is to be given to the aspects of things here. The business men of Terre Haute have made a wonderful show as a result of their efforts. The civic pride of the Decatur men has been aroused and they will not permit it to be said that Terre Haute or any other city is better in a commercial way or has more energetic men than has Decatur.

At the meeting held at the rooms of the Decatur club last Saturday night it was suggested that there should be formed here a commercial organization patterned something after the Terre Haute Commercial club. This will be done by men in Decatur who has any interest in the welfare of the city will be asked to become a member of the organization. The men interested have asked the secretary of state for the necessary papers and will take steps to have the organization incorporated at an early day with a capital stock of \$50,000.

## The Glass Factory.

The committee appointed to make a proposition to the Indiana men who wanted to remove their plant to Decatur have agreed upon the offer that Decatur will make. The details are withheld, but it is known that the Indiana men will be offered a site of seven acres of land free and a cash bonus, but the sum is not made public. These concessions will be made if the Indiana men perform certain acts.

## The Truck Factory.

The committee appointed to confer with the Messrs. Curtis and Bakeman about a plan for organizing a company in Decatur to manufacture the Curtis trucks, have agreed upon a plan of organization that is acceptable to all concerned. The work to be done now is interesting capital in the enterprise. Practical men who have carefully investigated the merits of the Curtis truck declare that it is the best thing of the kind ever made. C. S. Needham of the Wabash shops says that the Curtis trucks avoided difficulties which he and others can meet and come to believe were things that must be endured because there was no way to eliminate them. Mr. Needham said that he believed that the possibilities presented were the best that had ever been offered Decatur. One of the business men of Decatur who has carefully investigated the business and who has over \$100,000 says that if he could dispose of his business even at a sacrifice, he would invest all of his money in the truck factory. With practical men entertaining such views of the merits of the trucks, it should be easy matter to interest capital sufficient to make the thing go and go big.

The fact that the interurban business, now new and growing rapidly, will be a consumer of the product of such a factory, is one of the reasons why some men look upon it with so much favor, because that business will present a big field for the new trucks.

## THE DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. Leah Blenz.

Mrs. Leah Blenz, formerly Miss J. F. Mercer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Blenz, died at the family residence, 1703 East Prairie street, Wednesday night at 9 o'clock, aged 20 years and 9 months.

The death was particularly sad for the reason that the deceased sister of Mrs. Blenz was buried just a month ago.

Mrs. Blenz is survived by her husband, her parents, two brothers, Dennis and Earl, and one sister, Della. The time of the funeral will be announced later.

## PATENT RIGHT MAN IN TROUBLE.

Worked In Territory He Had Disposed of and Is Arrested.

C. W. Boyston was arrested at Sullivan Wednesday morning to prevent from being Sheriff Threlkell. The arrest was made on a warrant charging obtaining money under false pretenses.

The warrant was sworn out by Richard J. Cloer of Dalton City. The charge is that Boyston had a patent horse collar fastener and claimed to hold the patent. He sold the right to dispose of the article in certain countries to Cloer and also sold rights for other countries to two other men.

Clow obtained Boyston selling the article in the country where he had the right and he swore out the warrant and caused the arrest. The specific charge in the warrant is obtaining money under false pretenses, but it may be that he obtained game will be charged later on the grounds that Boyston never owned the article. The proof for this, however, has not yet been obtained, but the authorities will investigate along those lines.

Boyston on being brought to Decatur was unable to furnish bond and was confined in the county jail.

## Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in a very bad condition. My skin was always very sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed at J. E. King, N. L. Krons and McNeil, Hurst, drug-gists.

## Interesting Reading.

We have on hand at all times a supply of literature, descriptive of the resources and resorts of the great west.

It is interesting and instructive reading for the farmer, business man and tourist, and will be mailed free on application to J. H. Lothrop, general agent, Union Pacific Railroad Co., 903 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo.

## Sowing Oats.

Most of the farmers are busy now sowing oats. The ground is not in good condition for sowing as there has been too much rain and not enough sunshine. The ground the farmers say lacks life and it is hard to work, but those who can are planting oats as rapidly as possible.

## A Thoughtful Man.

M. A. Austin of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25¢ at J. E. King's, N. L. Krons and McNeil & Hurst's drug-gists.

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They now call him Foxy Gorman.

April 2, 1792 the U. S. Mint was es-  
tablished.Watterson had had another attack  
of Clevelanditis.March's lamb-like exit should sat-  
isfy the most fastidious.The ground hog and Hicks are twin  
frauds in predicting the weather.Senator Farnum's new libel bill is  
dead. Requiescat in pace.Will the British parliament stand  
Pat on the Irish land bill?A number of Decatur music lovers  
are going to Chicago to enjoy the  
grand opera season soon to come.The leaders now call Ben Davis ap-  
pies Ganos. They have the same old flat  
and insipid taste though.The democratic party is in need  
of a windless candidate. They will  
hardly take Judge Parker, however.Gen. Prosperity is in command of  
the republican campaign in Decatur,  
Delightful Decatur.It is gravely announced that the  
president will Sunday in Sharon  
Springs. Yes, of course, and he will  
Thursday in Decatur.April 24 is announced by Gov. Yates  
as arbor day. Schools are expected to  
plant trees that day. Isn't that a  
little late for planting trees?There was never a better ticket put  
up in Decatur township than that for  
next Tuesday. Every man deserves  
election on his merits.So far no issue for 1904 appears vis-  
ible. The case will be prosperity and  
republicanism vs calamity and demo-  
cracy. Verdict for plutocrat.March did herself proud. April will  
be compelled to be on her good be-  
havior in order to have the good opini-  
on that attaches to March.In consenting to call an extra ses-  
sion to get the Cuban treaty disposed  
of did the president consult the beet  
sugar men and their representatives  
in the senate?Bloomington's court house is in a  
race with the Chicago government  
building. It looks like doomsday would  
see them both unfinished.Chicago is booked for a great clash.  
The grand opera season and the dog  
show run together. Society must have  
overlooked this in fixing grand opera  
dates.This is Thomas Jefferson's birthday.  
Why are not our democratic friends  
celebrating? He is the father of an-  
cient democracy while Bryan is the  
sire of the modern article.Much as Watterson dislikes Cleve-  
land he cannot be so cruel as not to  
congratulate the only living ex-pres-  
ident if it is a boy. He should remem-  
ber that all the others are girls.The Standard Oil company has de-  
cided to allow any of its employees who  
have served for thirty years or more  
to retire on one-half pay. This is a gen-  
erous offer from the greatest trust of  
all the ages.Graeme Stewart is in hard luck and  
may be defeated after all. It will  
be difficult for him to survive the  
championship of Dowie. Possibly  
the Harrison men hired Dowie to de-  
feat Stewart.Every republican should bear in  
mind that his first duty is to see that  
the township election next Tuesday is  
given loyal attention. In every town-  
ship republicans should take the first  
step toward success in 1904.Through persistence of Mayor Shill-  
ing and members of the council Dec-  
atur is at last to have street signs  
put up. This much needed and long de-  
ferred improvement will go into ef-  
fect at once. The signs are here and it  
will.will not be long until the people can  
tell where they are "at."The judge of the superior court at  
Terre Haute, Ind., has decided that  
healthily unvaccinated children cannot  
be barred from the public schools. The  
case will no doubt go to the higher  
courts and a much mooted question  
settled at least in Indiana.The politicians will find that the  
voters want a civil service law. The  
governor's bill has been so mutilated  
that nobody wants it. Still the wise  
legislator who reads the signs of the  
times might well see that Gov. Yates  
made no mistake in urging a real offi-  
cial merit bill.Chicago one court orders the  
election authorities to count the bal-  
lots in the Lorimer-Durharrow con-  
gressional contest and another court  
orders them not to do it. What are  
they to do? The dilemma of the devil  
and the deep sea is a kindergarten  
problem to them.One of the most disgusting features  
of the present time is the throng of  
women who crowd into the court room  
at Buffalo to hear the nauseating  
stuff in the Burdick-Pennell case.  
These are the exclusive soot. They  
belong to the Buffalo 400. This affair  
with all its nasty details has been  
quite a society event. Poor old Buffalo!There are still some people who  
cannot comprehend that there is  
something in city government besides  
regulating saloons, gamblers and other  
evils, but these are the people whose  
prejudices have been worked up by  
designing men by everlasting appealing  
to their morality and sounding  
them with stories about gamblers and  
saloons disobeying the laws and  
covering up everything else.Our congressman Tash Warner was  
in Decatur Tuesday. It is the first  
visit of Col. Warner since he was "our  
congressman." The congressional  
storm does not appear to have been  
in any way detrimental to the health,  
happiness or good looks of the Clinton  
statesmen.Dewey has been talking again and  
admits it. He said that "the man-  
euvers in the West Indies should prove  
an object lesson to the German Kaiser"—  
and they did. There were some  
maneuvers in front of Manila in 1888  
that were a most excellent object less-  
on to the kaiser.An old fashioned steamboat race  
from New Orleans to St. Louis between  
boats commanded by Mark Twain, and Sir  
Thomas Lipton, the game English  
sport, is one of the side shows pro-  
posed for the St. Louis exposition  
next year. It would be an interest-  
ing feature. Odds are on the Ameri-  
can against the Englishman.Most of the excitement over the  
city election so far is confined to the  
politicians. The people are quite  
busy and are watching the progress of  
delightful Decatur. The republican  
administration has been so con-  
ducive to prosperity and progress that  
the old theory of "well enough alone"  
is in full force.The election commissioners in Chi-  
cago are defying the mandate of Judge  
Haney's court in obedience to another  
from Judge Carter's court. The re-  
count is being made under a strong  
police guard. It is said that 3,000  
blue coats will be ready to resist the  
efforts of the deputy sheriffs. This  
looks much like boys' play to people  
who are not concerned in the squabble  
between Lorimer and Durharrow.When people stir up Lawrence Y.  
Sherman they are just as likely as  
not to get something hot. Mayor  
Harrison cast some reflections on the  
virile ex-speaker. Among other things  
Sherman says in reply that "Mayor  
Harrison never earned a dollar in his  
life. He hasn't nickel today he  
hasn't either inherited or grafted.I voted for the Allen bill in broad  
daylight. That is more than his offi-  
cial life seeking with doormat pil-  
fering from end to end, can say.""Josh Billings'" advice is never to  
catch a bull by the horns, always catch  
him by the tail and then you can let  
go when you want to. The democratic  
nominee for mayor has adopted Josh's  
philosophy. When he announced, before  
the convention that, if elected, there  
would be a reasonable enforcement of  
the laws and ordinances, he showed a  
disposition to take the bull by the  
horn but since then, after getting  
more advice, he has concluded to take  
the critter by the tail so that he can  
let go when he wants to by declaring  
that, to the best of his ability, he will  
enforce the laws and ordinances.

## REFORMER'S HISTORY.

Some reformers are never so happy  
as when charging others with incon-  
sistency in their endeavors to create  
prejudice against them in the minds of  
the less thoughtful. Like all men who  
set themselves up as the judges of  
other men's liberties and consciences  
and motives they overlook their own  
inconsistencies which are often so  
great that if properly listed and pre-  
sented they could have no permanent  
following.Let us go down the line with some  
of Decatur's reform leaders. Back in  
the '80's they were making war on  
the dramshop license system. Then,  
according to their dictum every voter  
who belonged to a church and refus-  
ed to follow them was inconsistent  
and was peremptorily damned as far  
as their power in that direction ex-  
tended, which of course was limited.Later on war on licensing dram shops  
ceased in Decatur so far as these pro-  
fessional reformers are concerned and  
they got busy making war on gam-  
blers and open saloons on Sundays and  
after hours. The church member who  
had been anathematized for failure to  
array himself under the banner of  
anti-license, under their leadership,  
was granted immunity on that score  
but when he again failed to follow  
the reformer under the new banner  
into the new field he was again cut-  
down as a cumberer of the groundfit only to be cut down and chewed  
up in true pharisaical style. This is the  
kind of reform that is now going on. It  
is remarkable, how these reformers  
in their different phases of reform  
choose the church as a recruiting  
ground and an aid in carrying out  
their projects which too often are  
based only on purely selfish and spite-  
ful motives.If these reform leaders accomplished  
anything approaching permanent re-  
form or were successful in creating a  
higher state of civilization they would  
be entitled to credit. What is the his-  
tory of their work in Decatur? When  
anti-license was their remedy they  
utterly failed and finally abandoned  
the field to the enemy. They first took  
up the war against gamblers and  
Sunday and over-time saloons in 1889.  
M. F. Kaman had been mayor and was  
considered one of the best all  
around mayors the city had had. That  
spring he was the republican nominee  
for mayor. The democratic nominee  
was put up, just as Springer has been  
put up, with reference to the votes of  
republican reformers he could get.  
These republican reformers and those  
democrats, who are reformers when  
they see an opportunity to defeat a  
republican, raised the cry that there  
should be no partisanship in city poli-  
tics. This cry always follows to  
smooth the pathway of the republican  
out of his party to serve his politi-  
cal enemies and injure his political  
friends. The democratic candidate  
then, as the present candidate has  
done, satisfied the reformer with  
platform "sop" by declaring he would  
enforce the laws and ordinances to  
the best of his ability. The result was  
the defeat of the republican nominee  
and two years of open gambling and  
unrestricted saloon business followed  
the like of which for open defiance  
of law was never equalled in Decatur  
before or since. That was done by the  
reformers who questioned the moral  
rectitude of every citizen who refused  
to follow them. Not one of them ever  
raised a voice of protest over  
the work they did but it can be said  
to their credit they have never boasted  
of it. They are engaged in doing  
precisely the same kind of a job now.  
That splendid piece of gold brick  
which they accepted from the democ-  
ratic silenced them for four years, so  
far as taking up democratic nominees  
was concerned and they did not come  
to the front again until 1899 when they  
took up the democratic nominee again  
and defeated the republican nominee  
for mayor. The first thing he did was  
to have the time of closing saloons ex-  
tended from 11 o'clock p. m. to 12  
o'clock. It is true he stopped public  
gambling but failed to drive out  
gambling and prevent the sale of li-  
quor in saloons on Sunday. Because  
he went after open gambling the democ-  
ratic leaders deserted him and the  
reformers failed to stand by him. With  
his nomination by petition in their  
pockets two years ago these reformers  
made another deal with the democ-  
ratic and never filed the petition. Again  
this year they held his petition and  
made a deal with the democrats and did  
not file the petition. This is a par-  
tial history of the work of Decatur's  
reform leaders who assume authority  
to criticize men who refuse to follow  
their leadership. In face of these facts  
why should men follow them?

## PARTY ORGANIZATION

There are some people who assert

and really believe such declaration-  
wise and patriotic that there ought to  
be no politics in city elections. One  
can readily see the motive for such  
a declaration by a member of a minor-  
ity that has nothing to lose and  
everything to gain by such a policy,  
but it is hard to understand why a  
follower of the fortunes of a majority  
should take such a position. In order  
to arrive at a clear understanding of  
the benefits to be derived from fidelity  
to party in city elections it is  
necessary to consider what a political  
party is and what it means. In the firstplace political parties are not the re-  
sult of accident, but the result of  
necessity in our form of government

and in fact every government where

the popular will is taken at the ballot

box on the questions of public policy.

To illustrate it is only necessary to go

back to the organization of our own

government. After independence was

achieved it soon developed that there

were differences of opinion on almost

all public questions. The people had

the right to vote but they could only

elect representatives through representa-

tives elected to congress. It became evi-

dent that the only way to elect the nomi-

nate of the democratic convention mayor.

It means also that the reformers

who are inspiring this kind of cam-

paign are moved entirely by factional

prejudice or spite against Shilling,

seek only his defeat and care nothing

whatever whether the election of

Springer results in reform or not.

The republican party in 1904 will

desire every vote it can get. The con-

tinuance of the present prosperity of

the country, which is desirable, will

depend upon the success of the party

at the polls. One year from this time

the country will have entered upon

that campaign. Those republicans who

at the present time, regardless of the

importance of the campaign in 1904,

are engaged in efforts to elect demo-  
cratic mayors, with all the influencethat goes with democratic success lo-  
cally, will have done more harm tothe party than their votes and in-  
fluence can overcome in 1904. If these

republicans desire to see prostration

of business substituted for prosperity

Idleness for employment; financial

distrust for confidence and business

stability; low wages and low prices for

good wages and good prices, want and

discontent for contentment and hap-  
piness, they are under the smiles and

blandishments of the cute democratic

leaders who know so well how to

work the political shell game to catch

republicans unawares, contributing all

they can at this time toward demo-  
cratic success and democratic results

in these subdivisions.

Churches are made up of the same  
people who make up political partiesand the same reasons for the organi-  
zation of political parties resulted

in the organization of church societies.

Take the Methodist church as an ex-  
ample. It is not a very old church

yet it has an organization for self

preservation and work. It has its

general conference its state confer-  
ences, its district and its church orga-  
nizations. The church organizationsare the units of the general organiza-  
tion. So long as the units are healthy,

active and loyal the general body will

be in good condition and ready to push

the cause of



# INJUNCTION DISSOLVED

TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AGAINST WABASH EMPLOYEES REMOVED

## ADAMS ADVISES ARBITRATION

That a Rational and Intelligent Adjustment of Difficulties May Be Expected to Exempt Public.

St. Louis April 1.—They keynotes for an amicable settlement of the Wabash wage dispute was sounded by Judge Adams himself in describing the decision today which has dissolved the injunction issued some time ago restraining the Wabash employees from striking, the company having declared that the proposed strike was in violation of the Interstate commerce law. He said:

"I cannot conclude this judgment without expressing the sincere wish of the court that if the parties are unable to adjust their differences by such mutual concessions as are necessary to that end, the offer made in open court by the defendants' counsel to submit the questions in dispute to the board of arbitration provided for by the act of congress in 1888, will be speedily accepted and another instance of a rational and intelligent adjustment of business difficulties may be exhibited to an expectant public."

### MARCH CROP CONDITIONS

Department at Washington Says Wheat Comes Through Winter In Good Shape.

### SPRING WORK IS BACKWARD.

Grand Master Hannahan, the locomotive foreman, considers the decision a great victory. He would not say what steps were taken next. It is said that both sides are making every effort to reach an amicable settlement. It is also said that George J. Gould who is here, will assist in the effort to settle the trouble.

In his decision Judge Adams first analyzed the bill of complaint upon which the provisional restraining order was issued, showing that the gravest of the charges was that the defendants had entered into a conspiracy and combination to secure recognition of their brotherhoods by falsely representing that the employees of the railroad, who were members of the brotherhood were dissatisfied with their wages and conditions of service, when they were, in fact, entirely satisfied and contented with the same.

Those defendants were about to exercise their powers as supreme and controlling officers of the brotherhoods of Firemen and Trainmen to force an undesired strike upon the men, who were members of their organizations. That defendants threatened and were about to further enforce their demands to execute their conspiracy by preventing the railroad from performing its duties as carriers of interstate commerce and the mails of the United States, by preventing their members who were working for connecting lines from handling the traffic of the railroad and thus preventing such connecting lines from interchanging traffic with and affording the Wabash the facilities thereto required by the interstate commerce act.

The gist of the conspiracy coming within the jurisdiction of the federal courts as charged in the bill was to precipitate a strike undesired by the men and thereby, and by other means specified in the bill, to interfere with interstate commerce and the mail service of the United States.

Upon the showing made that the first step of the conspiracy, namely, the ordering of such strike was immediately contemplated by the defendants, and that irreparable damage would necessarily befall the railroad, unless a restraining order was forthwith issued, the same was done for the purpose of holding the property and the parties in statu quo until both sides could be fully heard on the motion to set aside or modify the order.

The court after fully considering all the proof finds that the statements of the bill of complaint to the effect that the employes were satisfied with their wages and conditions of service are not supported.

That irrespective of that question whether the men or the committees of the brotherhoods representing them first suggested the increase of wages and change of rules, the employes themselves, at and for a long time prior to the filing of the bill of complaint, were dissatisfied with their wages and conditions of service, and a real difference of opinion existed between the railroad and the large majority of its employes, members of the brotherhoods with respect to their wages, and that the lists of officers and committee of the brotherhoods were fully authorized, both by resolution of their official relation to their members, and also by direct written authority to represent them in the effort to secure higher wages and changed conditions of service, and that the proposed strike instead of being officially ordered by defendants, was a result of the vote of the employes, acting without coercion and directly authorizing the same.

The court further finds after a full examination and analysis of the evidence, that the charge of a conspiracy to interfere with the interstate commerce of the United States, or the mail service of the United States is not sustained.

It results that this court would not interfere with the exercise of the right on the part of the complainant's employes, who are members of the brotherhood in question, of quitting the services of complainant in body, by restraining the defendants who are officers of the brotherhood from exercising the functions of their once pre-requisite thereto, and that, at the present time, there is no reason shown for issuing an injunction restraining the defendants from interfering with interstate commerce, or the mail service of the United States.

An employe has an unquestionable right to choose price and impose conditions upon his labor at the outset of his employment, unless restrained by contract obligations, upon the continuance of his labor at any time thereafter; and if terms and conditions are not complied with by the employer, he has a clear right either to engage, or having engaged in his service, to cease from work. What one may do, all may do.

They may seek and obtain counsel

and advice concerning their rights, duties and obligations in relation to their employer; and persons interested in their welfare may advise, aid and assist them in securing such terms and conditions of service as will best subserve their interests; and what they may lawfully do, singly or together, they may organize and combine to accomplish.

In like manner as capital is combined for legitimate purposes, so may labor combine for legitimate purposes, but this right of combination and resulting right to strike or quit their employment is a weapon for the defense and protection of employees, and not a weapon of attack. They may by peaceful and lawful combination and concert of action be able to so control the supply of labor as to compel the employer to come to their terms, but they are not at liberty to make use of this power to otherwise interfere with or injure the employer or co-employee. The clear limit of demarcation recognized by all the authorities is that the lawful and permissible strike must not be attended by violence, or destruction of property, or by other coercive measures intended to prevent the employer from securing other employes or otherwise carrying on his business according to his judgment.

Gould did not remain to assist in the effort to settle the differences with the trainmen. In a statement issued tonight he suggests waiting until President Ramsey's return from Egypt.

**VICE-PRESIDENCY**



## LOOKING FOR A RUNNING MATE FOR ROOSEVELT.

## ROOSEVELT STARTS WEST

AT HARRISBURG, PA., IN BRIEF SPEECH HE COMPLIMENTED STRIKE COMMISSION.

### FIRST DAY WAS UNEVENTFUL

President Viewed the Scenery of the Allegheny Mountains From the Cab of a Locomotive.

### TAKE A LOOK AT IT.

Seven Columns of Bargain Advertisements in This Morning's Herald.

Seven full columns of one side bargains column advertisements appear in the Herald this morning. It is the record breaking page. There is no paper in the state outside of Chicago which makes such a showing. The large amount of space given to advertising is evidence sufficient that the people appreciate the value of the Herald as an advertising medium. The best part of it is that it is voluntary advertising. It is not necessary for the Herald to solicit this class of matter.

**QUINCY GAS WORKS.**

And Electric Light Plant Sold to a New York Syndicate.

Quincy, Ill., April 1.—The Quincy Gas and Electric Company has sold to a New York syndicate which consists of plants at Port Huron, Alpena, Mich., Sheboygan, Wis., and other places. The Quincy plant is capitalized at \$400,000 with a bond issue of equal sum.

Krupp Works Big Improvement.

Berlin, April 1.—The expenditure of \$100,000 by the Krupp company in extending the works is chiefly for the erection of a great rail mill at Rheinhausen, according to the American system. Ores will be unloaded from the boats to the furnaces, coming out finished rails without cooling.

Moves Office.

Lincoln, Neb., April 1.—The Burlington officials today confirmed the report that the car accountants office for the Nebraska system will be removed from Lincoln to Chicago early in May. The Missouri systems office at St. Joseph will also be moved to Chicago.

Sheridan Sails to Philippines.

San Francisco, Cal., April 1.—The transport Sheridan sailed today for the Philippines via Guam. She carried two battalions of the Eighteenth Infantry and a squadron of the Thirteenth cavalry.

A TRIFLE PREMATURE.

Young Woman Took Out Marriage License Too Soon.

Miss Anna B. Stepper will not bear her name to Lithgow, at least at present, although she obtained the legal right to do so for a marriage license to marry Arthur A. Lithgow. It seems that the man in question has no idea of the fair maid, and is indignant that the young lady went to the house and procured the license.

Miss Stepper evidently thought it time to help Mr. Lithgow along in his love-making, for yesterday she visited the marriage clerk's office, and walking up to the desk with a bewitching smile on her face, said: "I want to procure a marriage license for Mr. Arthur A. Lithgow and Miss Anna B. Stepper. I am Miss Stepper, and the minister who is to marry us is named Rev. T. Chalmers, Boston."

When asked her age Miss Stepper did not hesitate, but, with a pretty little blush, replied: "Twenty-one, and his

age is thirty-seven." Miss Stepper had the fee ready, and when the papers were made out she paid the money and departed, amid the congratulations of the clerk. However, Miss Stepper evidently had not consulted Mr. Lithgow about the license, for later in the day, a very excited man rushed into the clerk's office and announced that his name was Lithgow. He said that he wanted to have a marriage license which had been issued to Miss Stepper for her marriage to him canceled.

I never told any one I was going to get married, and most certainly never

asked Miss Stepper to get the license. I don't want to get married. Probably she does, but I don't and that settles it. Neither do I want the report circulated that I am to be married, when in reality I am not."

Mr. Lithgow explained to the clerks that after Miss Stepper had procured the license she had called on him and informed him that everything was all ready for the wedding. All he could do was to express surprise, and then went

around to the clerk's office to cancel the license.

The wedding has been indefinitely postponed, but Miss Stepper has a marriage license on her hands.—Washington Special.

The Low Water Mark.

Tommy—Say, Pa? Pa? Well? "What is low-water mark?" "It is usually about the top of your neck if someone don't keep an eye on you when you are washing your face?"—India News.

## THE French Embassy.

A man called up the French embassy.

This was the conversation:

"Is this the French embassy?"

"Yes, sir."

"I would like to find out something about Marquis de Chambrun's wife."

"Yes, sir; which one?"

"Has he got more than one?"

"Certainly not, but there are four De Chambruns."

"I mean the De Chambrun who married an American girl."

"Three of them married American girls."

"I'm after the one who married a girl from Cincinnati."

"Two of them married girls from Cincinnati."

"Great heavens! Which one is coming here to join the embassy staff?"

"The Marquis de Chambrun."

"I mean his wife."

"He hasn't any wife; he is a bachelor."

At this point the man asking the questions was placed under restraint.—New York World.

### CLEVER STORIES.

Told About English People—Gladstone And Tree.

A member of the London postoffice department tells of an undelivered letter, when opened, was found to contain a long list of bad troubles. But the writer struck one note of gladness at the end of the epistle in the sentence: "Thank God, the pig has ten young ones." The officials once had a letter addressed to "Uncle John Hopposite the Church, London, England." This was not delivered, but another one was. It was addressed thus: "To my sister Jean, up the Canongate Down a Close, Edinburg. She has a wooden leg." The last part of the address was doubtless the clew. In the telegraph department of the British postoffice they get curious messages also. One young married man hurried to wire interesting news to his wife's relatives. In his haste he announced: "Twins today; more tomorrow."

Gladstone, when seerborn Tree, the actor and manager, was introduced to him, hardly knew upon what topic to converse with him, but at length asked Tree's opinion as to the politics of the stage, whether it is as a rule liberal or conservative. "Well, sir," said Tree wicketly, "I really have not studied the question, but I should think the actors are mostly conservative." "Dear me!" replied Mr. Gladstone. "I wonder whether there is any exception to that rule?" "I should say," replied Tree, "that the scene-shifters are radical to a man!"

In England the movement of which Lord Roberts is the head, to stop drinking except at meals is said to multiply the times of eating in a remarkable manner. Once there is evidence in the story of the man to whom his doctor forbade whisky except after a bath. Asked how he fared under this regime, the patient answered: "Oh, a right, but they charge such a beastly lot for water."

### FATAL WINTER FOR BIG GAME.

Thousands of Elk Have Died Because of Deep Snows in West.

A dispatch to the Denver Republican from Evanston, Wyo., says that if President Roosevelt were in the Jackson Hole country at the present time he would be as thoroughly disgusted as he must have been on his southern hunt, when he failed to secure a shot at a bear, but the cause of disgust would be different. No true sportsman would accept conditions as they are at the present time. Elk are lying down and dying in canons and on the hills by the thousands, starved because the gross receipts of \$7,000,000 in Atlanta in December or \$25,000 in Atlanta in June. A choice was not made.

### CENTRAL ILLINOIS AGAINST IT

Opposition Shown to Plan of the Head Officers of the Woodmen.

Bloomington, Ill., April 1.—County conventions of modern Woodmen were held throughout the state today to select delegates to the state convention to be held here May 6. Reports from Central Illinois indicate an overwhelming sentiment against the radical increase in rates proposed by the national committee. The question will be settled at the head camp meeting in Indianapolis, June 10.

### THE PACIFIC MERGER CASE

Arguments in Behalf of Minority Stockholders Begun Wednesday.

Nashville, Tenn., April 1.—The case of Talbot J. Taylor & Co. vs the Southern Pacific and the Union Pacific companies came up in the United States court before Judge H. H. Larion this afternoon. The hearing is based on the application of the minority stockholders for a permanent injunction to restrain the Union Pacific from voting shares owned and controlled by it in the annual election of the Southern Pacific to be held at Birmingham, a suburb of Louisville, April 8. The preliminary order is asked for on the ground that the Union Pacific is using its stock to control the Southern Pacific in such a way as to prejudice the interest of the minority stockholders who have no interest in the Union Pacific. J. R. Keens has alleged that the Union Pacific has elected a board of directors in the Southern Pacific which has diverted the earnings of the road so that the Union Pacific will be the main beneficiary. Native of Boston.

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The baroness is a daughter of the late Henry Carrey of Boston and grand daughter of John Jacob Astor. Both Elliott and the baroness were worth several million dollars in their own names.

"Fundamentally our interests are the same. Fundamentally you hurt or help some of our people and inevitably the most important lesson to be learned is that of our solidarity of interests, and that every man is fit if he is to be a citizen of this republic, must do his best to help his brother at the same time."

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## HE CONFESSED TO CORRUPTION

NOVAK'S PARTNER GIVES SOME STARTLING TESTIMONY IN LIBEL CASE AT CHICAGO.

### TELLS WHAT NOVAK TOLD HIM

# LANDMARK GOES TO MAKE REPAIRS IS ROOM FOR TWO

A Frame House That Has Stood On North Water Street Nearly Forty Years.

## MAKES WAY FOR BUSINESS

Trees in Front Planted by D. C. Shockley Nearly 40 Years Ago.

A tall mark is to disappear from North Water street. The frame house No. 412 is to be moved away. That is why for many years the Pahrters residence, Fred Pahrtner still owns the property and it is his intention to put a two story brick building on the site. This building will have a depth of forty feet and will contain three stories rooms.

Yesterday workmen began the task of taking the old house from the foundation in preparation of moving. Last evening D. C. Shockley was an interested spectator of the work and commented upon the fact that he and Joseph Mills built that house in 1856. Shockley was also reminded of the fact that when the house was built he planted three trees in front of it. The day he did that he planted all of the trees at one time on his shoulder to that number and buried them. Now only one of the trees remain. When planted almost ten years ago that tree was perhaps no larger than a man's wrist. Yesterday when a tape was stretched around the trunk it proved to be five feet, six inches in circumference. The other trees are gone. One of them disappeared many years ago, no one seems to know why or how. A few years ago the second was cut down because the trunk was falling in decay.

But the size of the trees is not the only reminder of the flight of time. The way the real estate has increased in price is an indication that many years have elapsed. The increase in price too shows the wisdom of getting hold of cheap real estate and keeping it if there is any reason to expect that the town will ever grow.

When Mr. Shockley purchased the two lots which he now owns in that block he gave \$150 for one and \$200 for the other. Now those vacant lots are estimated variously as worth all the way from \$100 to \$150 per foot.

## BY REGULAR ARMY OFFICERS

Company H. Has Been Notified to Be in Readiness For the Coming Inspection.

## THE WORK WILL BE THOROUGH

Company H. of this city may at any time be called upon to submit to an inspection by a regular army officer. James B. Smith, the adjutant general of the Illinois National Guard, has issued from Springfield a notice that a regular army inspection will be made. This is a new thing for the guardsmen. They always expect to go through an inspection by the state authorities but to stand an inspection by a regular army officer means that it will be much more rigid than the ordinary inspection.

The adjutant general in the notice he sent out makes the following statement regarding the inspection:

"The war department intends to make an inspection of the organizations of the Illinois National Guard under the provisions of section 13 of the militia law lately passed by congress. The exact date for this inspection have not yet been determined, although it may be taken for granted that it will be made in the near future."

In order that the state troops may appear to creditable advantage to the regular army officers making the inspection, and to avoid all adverse criticisms, commanding officers, of whatever rank or grade, will at once take all necessary steps to place their commands in such condition that only the most favorable comment will be made upon their appearance."

The notice of the adjutant general goes on to give some details of what is necessary. He orders that all uniforms must be thoroughly pressed and brushed, brasses and buttons must be brightly polished, every man must appear in neat collar and white gloves, the armory must be clean and the windows washed, the quarters and store rooms must be clean and all record books and documents must be kept in readiness to present if called for.

All of these requirements the members of the local company will endeavor to meet. The company in Decatur is now in good shape and probably will bear an inspection as well as any of the companies in the state.

If a favorable report on the inspection is made the members of the company will be presented with the new guns, the United States magazine arms and the old Springfield rifles will be turned into the hands of the national government.

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## NEWS FROM NEARBY TOWNS

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Long Creek. Aunt Becky Goff is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Nelson Myers.

L. N. Lindsey will commence teaching a term of two months Sunday at the Peru school near Blue Mound chapel about eight miles southwest Decatur.

Mrs. Eva Myers a teacher in one of the Decatur schools was here Sunday. Geo. Scott has moved to Mt. Zion to take a position with the Mt. Zion Nursery Co.

Mrs. Bernice Jones who had been spending some time with friends and relatives in Decatur is home again.

The Long Creek M. E. Sunday school is preparing an Easter program to be given at the Sunday school hour 9:30 a.m., April 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Armstrong of Prairie Hall were Long Creek visitors Friday.

April 2, 1903.

Sullivan. There has been quite a lot of rain this week.

Three of our old and highly respected citizens are lying at the point of death. They are Uncle Abe Adams, Mrs. Geo. Brosam and Mrs. Chas. Taylor.

Mrs. Hugh Rooney is almost prostrate because of her mother's, Mrs. George Brosom, illness.

Mrs. Mont Stewart of Allensville returned home after a two week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Erdine.

Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks of Gays spent Sunday with friends in town.

Cumberland Presbyterian Presbytery at Mattoon this week. Our preached here in Mattoon for some speeches. Mr. Taylor is an able speaker and will give some good suggestions.

Mrs. Mary Smith of Decatur is visiting with her nephew, T. H. Grantham and family this week.

Master Anderson Grantham is very sick with a severe attack of biliousness.

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Mt. Zion. R. B. Hupp and family will leave in day or two for Dryden, Ark., their future home.

W. L. Riber and J. G. McGaughey were in Mattoon Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Cora Kessler of Auburn, Ill., is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. L. Out.

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The store of Espy & McCallister was sold at public auction Thursday of last week under direction of Wade Ownby, trustee. The store and fixtures were bought by McCallister and the accounts by Espy. It has not been reopened yet.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Swigart and daughter Miss Clara, have returned home from Springfield.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Reed died Friday.

Ed. Reed will drive the poultry wagon for George W. Baker.

Mrs. Jacob Zombio returned to her home in Champaign Monday. She has made an extended visit to Weldon with her daughter, Mrs. Charles.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Allan returned home from Mississippi last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Nixon returned home from Florida Friday.

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Niantic. George Pettus of Mt. Auburn visited his mother, Mrs. John Cassell, Tuesday and took the train for Decatur on a business errand.

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B. F. Hickman will occupy the residence of Mr. B. Roberts, whose wife died last week.

Mr. Alexander has sold the piano which was brought here for the play, "Tony the Convict."

Mr. and Mrs. Smithers of the Smithers hotel will entertain a hundred Knights of Pythias at a banquet next week, to be given in the town hall.

Louis Clappoy is improving his home with new walks and fences.

Mrs. Conaghan now occupies her elegant new stone room.

The fraternal army will meet next Monday evening, with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin.

Mrs. L. O. Hawk entertained at dinner. Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brodhead, Mrs. Margaret Blaikie, Mrs. Sarah Underwood of Decatur, Mrs. Emma Dingman, Mrs. Pearl Brown.

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B. W. CAMPBELL VISITS DECATUR

But No Details Given As to the Purpose of His Visit.

B. W. Campbell, president of the Decatur Traction company, was here yesterday to visit the local men interested in that company.

Last night when W. L. Shellabarger was asked for some information concerning the interurban proposition as it related to the Decatur Traction company he declared that there was absolutely nothing to be given out for publication.

Some time ago the statement was made that the Decatur Traction company had given an option on its property to several men who intended to organize a company for the purpose of buying the Decatur property as the starting point for an interurban line between Decatur and Springfield. The statement was also made that in case the men who held the option should fail in their plan, the Decatur Traction company would at once proceed with the work of building the interurban.

The option expired on April 1. Last night when the question was asked if the option men had been able to make their plan go, the statement was made that there was nothing in that plan. When asked if the Decatur Traction company would now proceed with the work of building an interurban between Decatur and Springfield, the answer was that the plans had not taken shape sufficient to be made public. The admission was made however that that idea was now under consideration but that until a number of details had been investigated and some conclusions arrived at nothing could be made public.

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